

BOOKS RECEIVED/NOTICES

Annotations and comments by Editor

Plant Physiology/Pathology/Agriculture

CHRISTOPHER P. DUNN (Editor). 2000. **The Elms Breeding, Conservation, and Disease Management.** (ISBN 0-7923-7724-9, hbk.). Kluwer Academic Publishers, Customer Service Department, P.O. Box 358, Accord Station, Hingham, MA 02018-0358, U.S.A. (Orders: 781-871-6600, Toll Free 866-269-9527, fax 781-681-9045, kluwer@wkap.com). \$125.00, 361 pp, illustrated, 6" × 9".

From Kluwer website (www.wkap.nl): "Elms occur, both naturally and cultivated, throughout much of the temperate world. Because of their high tolerance to extreme growing conditions and their widespread distribution, elms have been widely planted in cities, towns and rural areas throughout North America and northern Europe. As such, their current demise due to several pandemics of Dutch elm disease has spurred a huge body of research on breeding for disease resistance, conservation and systematics. *The Elms: Breeding, Conservation and Disease Management* provides the current state of knowledge in these areas and is an important reference work for pathologists, breeders, taxonomists, and arborists."

GERALD C. NELSON (Editor). 2001. **Genetically Modified Organisms in Agriculture, Economics and Politics.** (ISBN 0-12-515422-4, hbk.). Academic Press, 200 Wheeler Road, Burlington, MA 01803, U.S.A. (Orders: 888-677-7357, 781-221-2212, Fax 781-221-1615, <http://www.academicpress.com/www/ap/reps.htm>). £46.95, 300 pp, illustrated, 6 1/2" × 9 1/2".

From Academic website (www.apcatalog.com): "In **Part 1**, *Genetically Modified Organisms* offers a comprehensive look at the science, economics, and politics of the use of agricultural GMOs. It provides in-depth coverage of the three most-widely used GMOs: Bt corn and cotton and glyphosate-resistant soybeans. Issues such as US and EU regulatory concerns, import/export patterns and the impact on international trade are covered. **Part 2** presents articles from leading figures with widely different views in the debate, such as representatives from the American Corn Growers Association, the EU Commission, The Foundation for Science, Technology and Natural Resource Policy, India, Center for Global Food Issues, Consumers' Union and the Biotechnology Industry Organization. Finally, **Part 3** provides more detailed information on selected topics, including the history of biotechnology innovations, the techniques of biotechnology, the latest research on the consequences of the Bt corn for the monarch butterfly, and a list of European GMO field trial approvals."